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Sir:

On October 5, 2004, a Notice of Allowance was entered in the above-identified patent application. The issue fee has not been paid. On October 12, 2004, the priority documents for Japanese Application No. 2002-257980, 2002-245049 and 2002-258012 were filed. A date stamp post card is attached hereto evidencing that the priority documents have been filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

As of the filing of this document, Applicants have not received acknowledgement receipt of the foreign priority documents filed on October 12, 2004, upon which, priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is based. Applicants request a Supplemental Notice of Allowance acknowledging receipt of the foreign priority documents number JP2002-257980 filed on September 3, 2002, JP2002-245049 filed on August 26, 2002 and JP2002-258012 filed on September 3, 2002, upon which, priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is based.

No fee is necessary since such oversight was not due to any error by Applicant. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below if anything further is needed.

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